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Subject: One vs Two way street

When an emergency vehicle leaves Waterloo and York locations their shortest route to residence on Bruce takes them to Ridout and Bruce.

At that intersection they will encounter two different scenarios for One and Two-Way streets.

TWO-WAY-(see diagram)

Like all two way streets, the opposing side is ALWAYS OPEN, freeing emergency vehicles to get to residence in the shortest distance and time, no decisions need to be made.

ONE-WAY-(see diagram)

They may not get through because 2 or more cars can be side by side waiting to make their turns. The emergency team has two choices.

- 1. Have a vehicle in one of the lanes drive out of or back out of the way, but likely only if there is no more than one in the way.
- 2. Otherwise they have to drive around the block.

Does this extra response time not occur at every intersection on Bruce as a one-way? And if the emergency vehicle was coming from the other direction wouldn't it be the same for Elmwood residence?

Thank you for your consideration.

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